

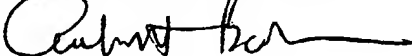
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In response to the Office Communication mailed August 6, 2004, Applicants request entry of the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.